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## DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[Detailed Description of the Invention]

[0001]

[Field of the Invention] This invention relates to the breast cancer depressant which makes conjugate linolenic acid an active principle.

[0002]

[Description of the Prior Art] Although a breast cancer stood the 1st place of a woman's cancer in the West, there were conventionally in Japan. [comparatively few] However, a breast cancer patient number increases quickly also in Japan in recent years, it is ranked as the higher rank now, and it is expected that it becomes primacy someday. As a cure for a breast cancer, a surgical operation, radiotherapy, a chemotherapy, endocrinotherapy, immunotherapy, etc. are performed. Especially, although a surgical operation is the most positive cure, when it is expected that cancer is progressing even to remoteness, general treatments, such as a chemotherapy, endocrinotherapy, and immunotherapy, are needed.

[0003] On the other hand, the method and preventive medicine which prevent a breast cancer daily are seldom known, but have become one of the fear for the woman. Then, safety is high and development of the breast cancer depressant which controls or prevents a breast cancer effectively is desired strongly. The report of that the conjugated linoleic acid which is one of the conjugate fatty acid has breast cancer depressant action is made about this point (Cancer Research, 51, 6118-6124-1991). However, as far as this invention persons get to know, the report of the cancer depressant action of conjugate linolenic acid is not yet made.

[0004]

[Problem(s) to be Solved by the Invention] An object of this invention is to provide the new breast cancer depressant used in foodstuffs and the drugs field.

[0005]

[Means for Solving the Problem] This invention persons find out having the breast cancer depressant action excellent in conjugate linolenic acid, and came to complete this invention. That is, this invention provides a breast cancer depressant which makes conjugate linolenic acid an active principle.

[0006]

[Embodiment of the Invention] As conjugate linolenic acid used by this invention,

9, 11, 13-octadeca TOERIN acid, 10 and 12, 14-octadeca TOERIN acid, and these mixtures are mentioned. As a gestalt of conjugate linolenic acid, fatty acid, Monod, G or triglyceride, sodium salt, potassium salt, calcium salt, phospholipid, lysophospholipid, and these mixtures are mentioned, and fatty acid, triglyceride, phospholipid, and calcium salt are especially preferred. The derivative of conjugate linolenic acid, for example, an ascorbic acid derivative, a mitomycin-C derivative, etc. can be used.

[0007] "The breast cancer depressant which makes conjugate linolenic acid the active principle" by this invention can be used as not only drugs but breast cancer control, or prevention foodstuffs (feed is included). As an example of the concrete mode of breast cancer control (prevention) foodstuffs, the conjugate linolenic acid content oil and fat products produced by making convert linolenic acid in fats and oils into conjugate linolenic acid can be mentioned by giving alpha-linoleic acid content fats and oils (for example, a beefsteak plant oil or the linseed oil) to an alkali conjugation reaction. An "alkali conjugation reaction" is a reaction which isomerizes fatty acid in an alkali organic solvent solution, and is converted into conjugate fatty acid. The method of using a potassium hydrate as alkali and using ethylene glycol typically as an organic solvent is known (the collection p171 (1995) of the 34th oil recovery study debate lecture lists, and the standard fats-and-oils assay method 2.4.16-17). J. According to Am.Oil Chem. Soc., 36, and 631 (1959), in a potassium hydrate ethylene glycol solution, 200 \*\*, if methyl Linolenate is heated for 7 hours, it will be reported to perform about 82% of conjugation. This invention persons propose previously the manufacturing method of the conjugated linoleic acid whose inversion rate improved which uses propylene glycol as an organic solvent - \*\*\*\* (the Japanese Patent Application No. No. 288094 [ eight to ] specification) -- according to this method, conjugate linolenic acid content fatty acid can be obtained. When petroleum stock fat is a beefsteak plant oil, the conjugate linolenic acid content in the conjugate linolenic acid content fats and oils obtained by such an alkali conjugating method, Generally, 10 to 90%, it is 30 to 90% preferably, and the remaining ingredients are palmitic acid, stearic acid, oleic acid, linolic acid, non-conjugate linolenic acid, etc.

[0008] When using as medicine "the breast cancer depressant which makes conjugate linolenic acid the active principle" of this invention, Conjugate linolenic acid can be combined with other ingredients (lactose, DEMPURU, dextrin, gum arabic, etc.), for example, medicinal diluents, and it can be used with the gestalt of a tablet, a capsule, or a fluid. Even when using the breast cancer depressant by this invention by the above foodstuffs and medicinal any, generally [ meal weight ] the conjugate linolenic acid which should be taken in by that cause is 0.05 to 1% preferably 0.01 to 3%.

[0009] The following examples of an experiment show that conjugate linolenic acid has breast cancer depressant action.

[Example] Conjugate linolenic acid and conjugated linoleic acid which were used in the following examples are prepared by the following method.

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6.3[0011]After carrying out preliminary breeding of the Sprague-Dawley system female rat of 16 weeks old of examples, it divided into a total of three groups (each 20 groups) of a control group, a conjugated-linoleic-acid addition group, and a conjugate linolenic acid addition group, and bred for 20 weeks. A control group considers it as elemental diet (feed by Oriental Yeast Co., Ltd. "MF"), The conjugated-linoleic-acid addition group made the food intake method the free food intake as experimental diet which added the above-mentioned conjugated-linoleic-acid content fatty acid to elemental diet and to which the conjugate linolenic acid addition group added each above-mentioned conjugate linolenic acid content fatty acid 0.1% to elemental diet. One week was medicated with the breast cancer carcinogenic agent (2-amino-1-methyl-6-phenylimidazo [4 and 5-b] pyridine;PhIP) in 1 time and a total of 8 times compulsion stomach in the quantity of 100 mg per weight of 1 kg to the rat. The conjugated-linoleic-acid addition group and the conjugate linolenic acid addition group were fed to eight weeks of breeding starts in the above-mentioned conjugated-linoleic-acid addition foods and conjugate linolenic acid addition foods, and the additive-free meal (it usually eats) was given to them after it. The number of cancers was measured by palpation after the experiment start weekly, and breast cancer occurrence frequency and a breast cancer generated number were counted temporally. Breast cancer occurrence frequency is a rate of the rat which the breast cancer per 20 rats generated, and a breast cancer generated number shows the number of the breast cancers which per rat generated.

[0012]As a result, the rat from which all three groups die was not observed during the breeding. As a weight change is shown in drawing 1, there is no significant

difference in being between groups, and both groups were grown favorably. Breast cancer occurrence frequency and a breast cancer generated number were able to be made to control intentionally by prescribing conjugate linolenic acid for the patient, as shown in drawing 2 and 3. It was checked that the breast cancer depressor effect of conjugate linolenic acid is superior to conjugated linoleic acid. It turned out that generating of a breast cancer is controlled effectively, without influencing growth of a rat from the above thing, when the rat was made to take in conjugate linolenic acid.

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#### DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

[Brief Description of the Drawings]

[Drawing 1]It is a graph which shows the weight change during the breeding period of the rat in Example 1.

[Drawing 2]It is a graph which shows transition of the breast cancer generated number in the breeding period of the rat in Example 1.

[Drawing 3]It is a graph which shows transition of the breast cancer occurrence frequency in the breeding period of the rat in Example 1.

#### MEANS

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## CLAIMS

[Claim(s)]

[Claim 1]A breast cancer depressant which makes conjugate linolenic acid an active principle [Claim 2]The breast cancer depressant according to claim 1 in which conjugate linolenic acid is chosen from 9, 11, 13-octadeca TOERIN acid, 10 and 12, 14-octadeca TOERIN acid, and these mixtures.

[Claim 3]The breast cancer depressant according to claim 1 or 2 whose conjugate linolenic acid is a gestalt of fatty acid, sodium salt, potassium salt, calcium salt, triglyceride, diglyceride, monoglyceride, phospholipid, or these mixtures.

[Claim 4]Foodstuffs which have the breast cancer depressant action containing the conjugate linolenic acid according to any one of claims 1 to 3.

[Claim 5]The foodstuffs according to claim 4 which are the gestalten of oil and fat products containing conjugate linolenic acid.

[Claim 6]The foodstuffs according to claim 5 obtained when said oil and fat products give linseed oil to an alkali conjugation reaction.

[Claim 7]The breast cancer depressant according to any one of claims 1 to 3 used as medicine.

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